# MINUTES OF THE STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD STUDY SESSION

10:00 a.m., Friday, October 19, 2007 City of Globe Council Chambers 150 N. Pine Street Globe, Arizona 85501

The State Transportation Board met in official session for a Study Session at 10:05 a.m., Friday, October 19, 2007, with Chairman Joe Lane presiding. Other Board members present included: Bill Feldmeier, Delbert Householder, Bob Montoya via telephone conference, Felipe Zubia and Si Schorr joined the meeting at 10:14 via telephone conference. Bobbie Lundstrom was absent. Also present were Director Victor Mendez, Richard Travis, Sam Elters, Jim Dickey, Barclay Dick, Bill Hayden and John Fink. There were approximately 35 people in the audience.

#### **OPENING REMARKS AND PLEDGE**

Chairman Joe Lane welcomed the audience and led them in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **Priority Planning Advisory Committee (PPAC)**

Mr. Buskirk provided an explanation of the composition and responsibilities of the Priority Planning Advisory Committee (PPAC). This committee is framed by State Statute and the meetings are subject to the Open Meeting Law. PPAC is appointed by position by the ADOT director. The chair is the director of the transportation planning division. Committee membership was outlined. PPAC is to recommend priorities on transportation facilities and construction projects in Arizona. The committee reviews project requests and makes recommendations to the State Transportation Board, the decision authority. PPAC is to update and prepare annually a long-range state-wide transportation facilities construction program. The five-year construction program goes into effect on July 1 each year. The first year shall consist of highest priority projects. Each year a new fifth-year program is updated. The committee shall provide the estimated costs of the program for each year that is approximately equal to the revenues estimated to be available. All construction projects presented to PPAC must have been approved by the Project Review Board. Approval from the State Transportation Board will be required for material cost changes if they exceed 15 percent or \$200,000 whichever is lesser. All relevant documentation is kept for three years. In reply to a question about a member of the State Transportation Board serving on PPAC, Mr. Mendez said that if a board member is part of PPAC making recommendations to the Board, actions could bring different levels of board decisions that might conflict with the final decision. Statute states it is a departmental committee. A comment was offered regarding the time frame in which board members receive the packet for the five-year plan. It was suggested that board members become part of the process long before it is presented in the packet, at which time it is a public document. Mr. Mendez stated that when the Board decides to have discussion, recommendation or a final action, an open meeting is required. The draft program is presented to individual board members; there are no decisions made at those meetings. Mr. Schorr suggested that if a board member wants to be at the PPAC meeting, they are welcome to attend and if the Board wants a representative, perhaps they could have one in a non-voting capacity. Mr. Mendez said that yes, the PPAC meetings are open meetings and anyone can attend. They are posted as open meetings and there is a call to the audience feature. Mr. Feldmeier said that he does not want the Board to take over this process, rather as a board member, he wants to be kept informed and not just at the end. Mr. Schorr asked if additional board meetings could be held to receive an update of how the five-year plan is progressing. Mr. Mendez said that could be done and explained the process from the

draft plan to the Board's review. Suggestions included a presentation on the detailed process and a quarterly report be prepared for the Board.

#### State Park Roads

Mr. Buskirk discussed funds set aside for state park roads and projects that have been funded. Commitment number two of the State Transportation Board policies states: a transportation system that promotes Arizona's tourism and economic well being and serves the needs of its population and visitors. State Statute regarding Highway User Revenue Fund distribution states: of the monies allocated for the State Highway Fund, not more than \$5 million annually shall be spent for the acquisition, construction or improvement of entry roads to state parks or roads in state parks. In 1996, the State Transportation Board made a decision that they would limit the allocation for the state parks road program to \$2 million annually. From 1985 to 1996, it was no more than \$5 million and typically did not reach those levels. Statute details the authorized uses of State Highway Funds for state park purposes including: to acquire, construct or improve entry roads to state parks or roads within parks. A sub program has been part of the Department's five-year facilities construction program for more than 20 years. In the current program, there are allocations to the state road program for 2008, 2009 and 2010. In FY 2008, there is \$3.1 million being programmed for state park roads due to carry over. The State Park Road subprogram is off the top; the resource allocation that allocates 37 percent to MAG, 13 to PAG and 50 to other counties, allocates only funds that are allocated. The five-year construction program details were shown on a slide presentation. A list of the Arizona State Parks eligible was shown. Mr. Feldmeier expressed concern about the amount of money the Board has allocated to parks when there are additional needs of immediate concern around the state. Mr. Schorr asked if the \$2 million was a mandate or a recommendation. In reply, it will be researched. Mr. Schorr said it's a legitimate expense and asked which budget should be used.

Mr. Mendez re-stated that Mr. Feldmeier suggested several items for the agenda and one was not captured. Mr. Feldmeier asked that the Board be brought current on the discussion and possible action relating to rest areas and that he asked for action on state park roads not just a discussion. Mr. Mendez provided an explanation (tape change) Mr. Feldmeier expressed concern about being kept up-to-date and that items requested appear on the agenda.

#### **ADJOURN**

The study session was adjourned at 10:52 a.m.

Joe I\anel Chailman

State Transportation Board

Victor Mendez, Director

Arizona Department of Transportation

## MINUTES OF THE STATE TRANSPORTATION BOARD MEETING IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE STUDY SESSION

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#### **OPENING REMARKS**

Chairman Joe Lane called the meeting to order and welcomed those present. Mayor Stanley Gibson thanked the Board for holding a meeting in the City of Globe and for efforts made in the area including the Gonzales Pass Project.

#### DISTRICT ENGINEER'S REPORT

Rick Powers, District Engineer provided an update on Projects/Issues of regional significance. He reminded the Board members that he is retiring and expressed appreciation for working with the Board. The Gonzales Pass Project is planned to finish ahead of schedule. Additional projects include an upcoming DCR Study and sidewalk work. A project in development is on 77, with hopes to bid in '09. State Engineer Sam Elters introduced the new District Engineer Jerry Barnes.

#### **CALL TO AUDIENCE**

Mayor Hing, Town of Superior, thanked the Board for the Highway 60 Project and for keeping it on schedule and for the General Contractor on site bringing employment to the community. He expressed interest in extending the project into the Town of Superior, recognizing limited resources and other priorities.

Ingo Radicke, Consultant, Gila County and former Transportation Board Member, pushed for the final phase of US 60 and asked the Board to consider funding this phase increasing the safety. He thanked the Board for voting on the Gonzales Pass Project and recognized the great progress.

Sam Medrano, Councilman, City of Bullhead City, expressed a need for a bridge across the Colorado River between Bullhead City and Laughlin, Nevada. This was brought to the Board a number of times. In persistent efforts to construct, Laughlin's Mayor and three other city officials traveled to Washington, DC to meet with Transportation Secretary Mary Peters. All of the meetings emphasized the importance of working with our State Department of Transportation but what was never at issue was the need for that bridge. That's a huge hurdle to overcome and I have been working on this bridge for more than ten years. Finally, we got to a point where everybody knows we need a bridge. We all recognize the poor traffic conditions offered by Highway 95 through Bullhead City and where it is now working with interested parties, including and identifying funding sources necessary for the design and construction of the bridge that will better connect the two states. The American Southwest is one of the fastest growing areas of the country and Bullhead City has been a recipient of that growth. Providing adequate transportation and structure, the task for which our citizens depend upon

their government officials and as a local governmental body it is our distinct pleasure to identify those transportation needs and serve on behalf of our citizenry to provide the necessary infrastructure. Occasionally, the scope of that commitment reaches beyond the capacity of local resources where it becomes the responsibility of local officials to call upon high level of government to provide what cannot be provided locally. I encourage the Arizona Department of Transportation and this Board to recognize the importance of this project and make it a funded priority for the state.

Jay Ream, Assistant Director, Arizona State Parks, stated Arizona State Parks is celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year and serves about 2.4 million visitors a year at 30 state parks. This ADOT program has transformed parks like no other program. The 20 years with ADOT and parks has done a wonderful job to help serve the visitors to the state and our Arizona residents. The Slide Rock State Park and Tonto National Bridge were made possible due to ADOT's involvement. Padagonia Lake serving 200,000 people a year also is an ADOT project. Crooked Cripple Bridge that ADOT built allows 1,000 people a day to access Carchner Caverns. State Parks relies on the expertise and the money from ADOT for these projects.

Mark Clark, Interim Public Works, Lake Havasu City, welcomed the Board in advance of their next meeting in Lake Havasu and thanked the Board for their policy of having meetings in outlying areas allowing the Board to see the transportation needs and provide the citizens the same opportunity. Lake Havasu City will be celebrating its 30<sup>th</sup> year this year.

Bill Leister, Transportation Director, addressed the Board in Sedona about a proposed traffic signal at Pinto Valley Road on US 60. A resolution was presented at the City of Globe and meanwhile, passed a similar resolution at Regional Council on the 26<sup>th</sup> of September. We're not opposed to some kind of traffic control but we think a traffic signal would make a dangerous situation more dangerous. We would like ADOT to do further study to see if a grade separation or roundabout might be more appropriate. A copy of the CAAG Resolution was provided. Requests were received from Gila County and from the City of Maricopa to host a Transportation Board meeting next year.

Doug Hansen, Transportation Planner, Pinal County, recognized and thanked Rick Powers for work done for and on behalf of Pinal County. He has been accessible, congenial and helpful. I don't believe his legacy will be the many projects seen and guided from concept to completion but rather the way he approached these projects, with enthusiasm, with a firm handshake and a friendly smile. Rick, on behalf of the Pinal County Board of Supervisors, Department Directors, Deputy Directors and Engineering staff, thanks and congratulations.

Antonio and Esther Sanch, Villa Motel, (Esther) stated she has been working with ADOT to (inaudible) We were notified by ADOT to let them use the property \_\_\_\_\_ which is not in business right now and was not then either and also an empty lot next to it that belonged to us. We got another letter asking us if they could go ahead and use the property as a temporary easement for their construction trucks and other equipment and offered us \$100 for each of the properties. We said fine. We returned the letter to Mr. Malokey and he sent us a contract to sign and to report it to the IRS and the state and also a plan as to what is going to be there. When I received it I noticed there was going to be a wall built(?) and that our driveway from the highway was going to be blocked. I called Mr. Malokey and he said don't worry, it's not going to happen. There were meetings for the public to come to speak about the construction but at that time, I returned to the Valley to take care of my ill mother who later passed away. One day my husband and I drove up to check our home where we ran into my brother-in-law who said, have you seen what they have done. (inaudible) We drove up and asked what was going on and the contractor said I'm just doing what I was told to do. When we called

ADOT, we asked what is happening. You have torn down our signs, torn down a railing that was there and they said it was \_\_\_\_\_. I said why did you not come and speak to us and tell us what you are doing. You know who we are; we have lived here all our lives. I spoke with the people at the other businesses and they told me that they had been told what was going to happen. They were going to have one driveway taken away and they were going to build a longer new property and this person said that when they spoke to them they handed them a card and said this is our attorney, speak to him. I understand the one speaking to the businesses even made a trip to Show Low. I felt like we were nobody because they couldn't even come and talk to us about what was going to happen. I spoke to ADOT about this and I asked the construction workers to please stop so that we could settle this and find out what was going on because I felt they had gone into our property. The contractor said no I cannot do that we have to complete it by the date we're suppose to. They were building a sidewalk across our entrance to the highway. It was not necessary to cut into that mountain the way they did. They cut into the property right to our property line not giving us an inch or a foot. When they cut the mountain, they cut it straight down and they changed their plans about how they were going to build that wall compared to what they planned on doing. I met with Mr. Powers, Mr. Malokey, Mr. and tried to explain what I felt about how they had done this work without consulting us. At that time, Mr. Malokey told me that I would face eminent domain. He also remarked that it would be hard for me to find a lawyer for something like this. I have gone to see some and they refer me to a real estate lawyer and told me I need lots of money to hire a lawyer, an engineer, a surveyor. Meanwhile, I got ADOT's engineers together and told them what they have done. I tried to reach Mr. Mendez. They told me he would not speak to me. (inaudible) I knew in my heart that they had done us wrong. They told me the reason they had taken my drive entrance from the highway was because it was very dangerous to have that entrance there. I decided to get a surveyor and they said they had \_\_\_ and he said he would have a surveyor survey the encroached the property. I called Mr. property. I asked him to please have the surveyor call me when he came to survey. The gentleman came and in his report he said he called, wrote a letter to us, but (inaudible). On our driveway, he said they needed a permit. I have gone to ADOT to see if all these other people got their permits for their driveways and as of yet, I have not seen anything. I met with a lawyer. When I got there, I had pictures and papers to prove that I've been wronged. Before this I filed a small courts claim. This was all before I had found out they encroached. Now, I am being taken to court for eminent domain and feel nobody has listened to me. I refused to accept what they were offering me.

Linda Gustafson, Globe Resident, has been a resident of the community for almost 30 years and appreciates ADOT being in our town so residents have the opportunity to share thoughts about the highways. I have gone to ASU and made trips daily all summer and two to three times a week during the year and have seen remarkable improvements. My latest concern is my kids traveling to UofA in Tucson and as the area north of Tucson develops we could expand the highways or build them wider. It would be more sensible to have a highway in place before building a new subdivision.

Mr. Mendez presented a certificate of appreciation to Rick Powers for his service and recognition of 27 years at ADOT.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mr. Schorr recused himself from Items 47, 48, 50, 51 and 52. Mr. Feldmeier recused himself from Item 47.

## Director's Report

Victor Mendez provided an up-to-date report regarding current issues and events affecting ADOT. On October 25, the Legislature's Transportation Committee meets. Draft agenda items include MoveAZ,

the Framework Study, Valley Metro Rail's Light Rail, MAG and ADOT update, an ADOT presentation on bridge improvements and commuter and light rail. On November 6, a hearing on ADOT's Sunset Audit will be heard. The draft agenda includes a presentation by the Auditor General's office, ADOT's presentation and response to the audit, public input and decisions and recommendations.

### Legislative Report

Gail Lewis provided an update on State and Federal Legislative Issues. At the Federal level, there is still no budget and direction is going toward an omnibus. A meeting will be held with the Arizona delegation and lobbyists to ensure we are prepared for the new calendar year. Our contract has been reviewed with the Washington consultant and we are going forward with Capital Partnerships. The New Ribbon Committee held their first meeting where Mr. Mendez presented information on the agency and priorities. ADOT is working with the Governor's office on the appropriate response to the State's budget shortfall.

## Financial Report

John Fink provided summary reports on revenue collections for Highway User Revenues and Maricopa Transportation Excise Tax Revenues, comparing fiscal year results to last year's actuals and forecasts, and reported on interest earnings, HELP Fund status, and other financial information relative to the Board and Department. HURF revenues for the month of September were \$111.6 million, an increase of 0.4 percent above September 2006 and 3.4 percent below the forecast. For the year, HURF revenues total \$332.1 million, a decrease of 0.6 percent from last year and 3.7 percent below the forecast. In terms of actuals versus forecasts, for the first three months, every revenue category is below forecast. August RARF revenues totaled \$30.9 million, an increase of 3.8 percent over August 2006 and 1.3 percent lower than the estimate. RARF revenues through August totaled \$64.7 million, an increase of 2.0 percent above last year and 0.2 percent below the estimate. All RARF categories increased from last year except Retail Sales which is down 1.3 percent. Regarding forecasts, only two categories saw an increase, Contracting and Rental of Real Property. Investments total \$1.16 billion at the end of September 2007. Interest income for September was \$4.6 million with a 4.85 percent annualized return. For the first three months of the year, total investment income is \$14.5 million or 4.86 percent annualized return. The HELP cash balance on September 30, 2007, is \$79.8 million. To date, loan draws total \$523.8 million and of this amount \$417.5 million has been repaid leaving a total loan amount outstanding of approximately \$106.3 million. The Arizona Highway User Revenue Fund Forecasting Process and Results for FY 2008-2017 was available as was the Maricopa County Transportation Excise Tax Forecasting Process and Results for FY 2008-2026.

#### Financing Program

John Fink provided an update on financing issues affecting the Board and the Department, including HURF and RARF Bonding, GAN issuances and Board Funding Obligations. Included in the Board packet was a pre-pricing review. Plans are to price the 2007 Series RARF bonds the week of November 5. It is an anticipated size of approximately \$370 million. Maturities will be from July 1, 2008 through July 1, 2025. It is estimated that the interest rate on the bonds will be in the range of 4.6 percent to 4.8 percent. The ratings reports were included in the Board packet. Standards and Poor updated the RARF bonds from the prior program and are rated AA plus where they were previously AA. Moodys raised the bonds AA 2 that is consistent with the prior rating.

## MINUTES - APPROVAL

Study Session I Minutes – August 17, 2007 Board Meeting Minutes – August 17, 2007

# 2007 BOARD MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING DATES AND LOCATIONS STUDY SESSIONS TO BE SCHEDULED AS NEEDED

November 16, 2007 – Board Meeting – Lake Havasu City – 9:00 a.m. December 21, 2007 – Board Meeting – Tucson – 9:00 a.m.

The Rural Transportation Summit is in Casa Grande in January. It was suggested that a retreat be scheduled on January 10 to coincide with the Board Meeting on January 11 or January 24 with a Board Meeting on the 25th. There was discussion to ensure staff members are available in January as the Legislative Session also begins in January. Statute states that the Board is to meet before the third Monday in January for the purposes of reorganization selecting a new chair and vice chair. Mr. Montoya is not available on January 10 and 11. Mr. Feldmeier asked if a retreat could be scheduled at a different time than the traditional time that the Rural Transportation Summit takes place. Mr. Feldmeier's preference is to meet earlier in January. Mr. Zubia believes the Retreat is a priority and is open to whenever it is scheduled. Board members will be polled to determine when a Board Meeting, Study Session and Retreat can be scheduled.

## PRIORITY PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PPAC)

SUBJECT: PRIORITY PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING (PPAC)

FY 2008 – 2012 Transportation Facilities Construction

Program - Requested Modifications

ROUTE NO: SR 85 @ MP 139.0

COUNTY: Maricopa SCHEDULE: FY 2007

SECTION: MP 139.01 - 141.71

TYPE OF WORK: Utilties
PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$224,000
PROJECT MANAGER: Evelyn Ma
PROJECT: Item# 43607

REQUESTED ACTION: Defer project from FY 2007 to FY

\$224,000

2008.

NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT:

ROUTE NO: SR 85 @ MP 120.0

COUNTY: Maricopa SCHEDULE: FY 2007 SECTION: I-8 to I-10

TYPE OF WORK: Design, Right of Way, and Utilities

PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$280,000
PROJECT MANAGER: Evelyn Ma
PROJECT: Item# 13006

REQUESTED Defer project from FY 2007 to FY 2008.

ACTION:

**NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT:** 

\$280,000

**Board Action:** A motion to approve Items 8 and 9 was made by Mr. Feldmeier, seconded by

Mr. Householder and passed unanimously.

ROUTE NO: SR 202 L @ MP 23.3

COUNTY: Maricopa SCHEDULE: FY 2008

SECTION: Power Rd - University Dr TYPE OF WORK: Construct landscape

PROGRAM \$5,400,000

AMOUNT:

PROJECT Annette Riley

MANAGER:

PROJECT: H689001C, Item# 80007

REQUESTED Increase the construction project by ACTION: \$1,000,000 to \$6,400,000 in the FY 2008

Highway Construction Program. Funds are available from the FY 2008 RTP

Cash Flow.

**NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT:** 

\$6,400,000

**Board Action:** A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Householder,

seconded by Mr. Montoya and passed unanimously.

ROUTE NO: US 60 @ MP 172.0

COUNTY: Maricopa SCHEDULE: FY 2008

SECTION: I-10 to SR 101L (Price)

TYPE OF WORK: Design General Purpose Lanes

PROGRAM \$1,600,000

AMOUNT:

PROJECT Annette Riley

MANAGER:

PROJECT: H689801D, Item# 40308

REQUESTED Increase the design project by \$600,000 to \$2,200,000 in the FY 2008 Highway Construction Program. Funds are

available from the FY 2008 RTP Cash

Flow.

**NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT:** 

\$2,200,000

**Board Action:** A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Zubia,

seconded by Mr. Feldmeier and passed unanimously.

ROUTE NO: Maricopa Regional Freeways

COUNTY: Maricopa

SCHEDULE: FY 2008 – New Project Request SECTION: Various Regional Freeways

TYPE OF WORK: Construct Quiet Pavement, Phase X

PROGRAM New Project

AMOUNT:

PROJECT Steve Mishler / Rod Collins

MANAGER:

PROJECT: H708201C

REQUESTED Establish a new Quiet Pavement project in ACTION: the FY 2008 Highway Construction

Program. See funding sources below.

FY 2008 Bridge Inspection and Repair Fund #71408 \$1,000,000 FY 2008 District Minor Fund #73308 \$500,000 FY 2008 MAG Asphalt Rubber Noise Mitigation #41508 \$5,800,000 NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$7,300,000

ROUTE NO: I-17 @ MP 325.0

COUNTY: Coconino

SCHEDULE: FY 2008 – New Project Request SECTION: Willard Springs TI - Airport TI

(SB)

TYPE OF WORK: Pavement preservation

PROGRAM New Project

AMOUNT:

PROJECT Aman Mathur

MANAGER:

PROJECT: H681701C

REQUESTED Establish a new pavement preservation ACTION: project in the FY 2008 Highway

Construction Program. Funds are available from the FY 2008 Pavement

Preservation Fund #72508.

NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT: \$6,000,000

ROUTE NO: I-40 @ MP 323.5

COUNTY: Apache

SCHEDULE: FY 2008 – New Project Request SECTION: Crazy Creek Bridge EB, Structure

#674

TYPE OF WORK: Scour repair PROGRAM New Project

AMOUNT:

PROJECT Itty P. Itty

MANAGER:

PROJECT: H706501C

REQUESTED Establish a new bridge project in the FY ACTION: 2008 Highway Construction Program.

Funds are available from the FY 2008 Bridge Scour Protection Fund #71508.

**NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT:** \$ 900,000

ROUTE NO: I-17 @ MP 269.1

COUNTY: Yavapai

SCHEDULE: FY 2008 – New Project Request Ash Creek Bridges, Structures #389 SECTION:

and #754

TYPE OF WORK: Bridge scour retrofit

PROGRAM New Project

AMOUNT:

**PROJECT** Elias Eid

MANAGER:

PROJECT: H676201C

REQUESTED Establish a new bridge scour project in the FY 2008 Highway Construction Program. ACTION: Funds are available from the FY 2008

Bridge Scour Protection Fund #71508.

\$ 650,000 NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT:

**ROUTE NO:** SR 40 B @ MP 287.0

COUNTY: Navajo

FY 2008 - New Project Request SCHEDULE: Buffalo Street to East Holbrook TI SECTION:

TYPE OF WORK: System enhancements

New Project PROGRAM

AMOUNT:

**PROJECT** Cheryl Banta

MANAGER:

H730601C PROJECT:

04-072 with the City of Holbrook JPA:

REQUESTED Establish a new enhancement project in the FY 2008 Highway Construction Program. ACTION:

See funding sources below.

FY 2008 Transportation Enhancement Improvement Fund #75308

FY 2008 Projects of Opportunity Fund #75008

\$1,000,000

\$1,100,000

NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT:

\$2,100,000

**ROUTE NO:** SR 195 @ MP 5.5

COUNTY: Yuma FY 2008 SCHEDULE:

SECTION: Ave E ½ to Ave B

TYPE OF WORK: Construct 4 lane divided highway PROGRAM \$ 20,000,000

AMOUNT:

PROJECT Vincent Li

MANAGER:

PROJECT: H577403C Item #21204

REQUESTED Increase the constuction project by \$5,000,000 to ACTION: \$25,000,000 in the FY 2008 Highway Construction

Program. Funds are available from the FY 2008 Yuma Area Service Highway Fund #11908.

**NEW PROGRAM AMOUNT:** 

\$25,000,000

Board Action: A motion to approve Items 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 was made by Mr. Zubia,

seconded by Mr. Householder and passed unanimously.

# FY 2008 – 2012 Airport Development Program Requested Modifications

AIRPORT NAME: Taylor

SPONSOR: Town of Taylor
AIRPORT CATEGORY: Public GA
SCHEDULE: FY 2008 – 2012

PROJECT #: E8F50

PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request PROJECT MANAGER: Matthew Smith

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Rehabilitate Runway 03/21, Phase 1 (Design

Only)

REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: \$239,875

 Sponsor
 \$6,312

 State
 \$6,313

 Total Program
 \$252,500

AIRPORT NAME: Show Low Regional City of Show Low Commercial Service SCHEDULE: FY 2008 - 2012

PROJECT #: E8F56

PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request PROJECT MANAGER: Matthew Smith

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Acquire Aircraft Rescue and Fighting Vehicle

(Refurbished)

REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: FAA \$175,000

 Sponsor
 \$4,605

 State
 \$4,606

 Total Program
 \$184,211

AIRPORT NAME: Kingman

SPONSOR: City of Kingman
AIRPORT CATEGORY: Commercial Service
SCHEDULE: FY 2008 – 2012

PROJECT #: E8F57

PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request PROJECT MANAGER: Matthew Smith

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Install Airfield Guidance Signs and Markings

REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: FAA \$150,000

 Sponsor
 \$3,947

 State
 \$3,948

 Total Program
 \$157,895

AIRPORT NAME: St. Johns Industrial Air Park

SPONSOR: City of St Johns
AIRPORT CATEGORY: Public GA
SCHEDULE: FY 2008 – 2012

PROJECT #: E8S59

PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request PROJECT MANAGER: Kenneth Potts

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Update Airport Layout Drawings REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: FAA \$0

 Sponsor
 \$2,400

 State
 \$21,600

 Total Program
 \$24,000

AIRPORT NAME: Marana Regional SPONSOR: Town of Marana

AIRPORT CATEGORY: Reliever

SCHEDULE: FY 2008 - 2012

PROJECT #: E8F63

PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request PROJECT MANAGER: Matthew Smith

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Construct Air Traffic Control Tower

(Design Only)

REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: FAA \$150,000

 Sponsor
 \$3,947

 State
 \$3,948

 Total Program
 \$157,895

AIRPORT NAME: Marana Regional SPONSOR: Town of Marana

AIRPORT CATEGORY: Reliever

SCHEDULE: FY 2008 – 2012

PROJECT #: E8F64

PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request

PROJECT MANAGER: Kenneth Potts

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Acquire Land for Approaches

(Approx. 90 Acres)

REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: \$880,000

 Sponsor
 \$23,158

 State
 \$23,159

 Total Program
 \$926,317

AIRPORT NAME: Ryan Field

SPONSOR: Tucson Airport Authority

AIRPORT CATEGORY: Reliever

SCHEDULE: FY 2008 - 2012

PROJECT #: E8F65

PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request PROJECT MANAGER: Tammy Martelle

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Acquire Equipment (ATCT Voice Comm.

Switching System & Tower Glass Replacement)

REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: \$395,879

 Sponsor
 \$10,418

 State
 \$10,418

 Total Program
 \$416,715

AIRPORT NAME: Tucson International SPONSOR: Tucson Airport Authority Commercial Service

SCHEDULE: FY 2008 – 2012

PROJECT #: E8F58

PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request

PROJECT MANAGER: Kenneth Potts

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Conduct Environmental Impact Statement

(EIS), Phase 3, for new runway 11R-29L development, and associated taxiway system

REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: \$364,240

 Sponsor
 \$17,880

 State
 \$17,880

 Total Program
 \$400,00

AIRPORT NAME: Safford Regional SPONSOR: City of Safford AIRPORT CATEGORY: Public GA SCHEDULE: FY 2008 – 2012

PROJECT #: E8F67

PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request PROJECT MANAGER: Tammy Martelle

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Construct Taxi lanes, Extend Taxiways

(E and B1), Extend Access Road (Aviation

Way), Install Security Gate

REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: \$634,868

 Sponsor
 \$16,707

 State
 \$16,708

 Total Program
 \$668,283

AIRPORT NAME: Greenlee County
SPONSOR: Greenlee County
AIRPORT CATEGORY: Public GA
SCHEDULE: FY 2008 - 2012

PROJECT #: E8F68

PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request

PROJECT MANAGER: Kenneth Potts

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: DBE Plan and Obstruction Survey for GPS

Approach

REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: \$115,000

 Sponsor
 \$3,026

 State
 \$3,027

AIRPORT NAME: Bagdad

SPONSOR: Yavapai County
AIRPORT CATEGORY: Public GA
SCHEDULE: FY 2008 – 2012

PROJECT #: E8F53

PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request PROJECT MANAGER: Matthew Smith

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Install Perimeter Fencing REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: \$667,364

 Sponsor
 \$17,562

 State
 \$17,563

 Total Program
 \$702,489

AIRPORT NAME: Sedona

SPONSOR: Yavapai County
AIRPORT CATEGORY: Public GA
SCHEDULE: FY 2008 – 2012

PROJECT #: E8F54

PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request PROJECT MANAGER: Matthew Smith

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Expand Apron (Southwest Ramp) Design Only

REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: \$110,000

 Sponsor
 \$2,895

 State
 \$2,895

 Total Program
 \$115,790

AIRPORT NAME: Colorado City Municipal SPONSOR: Town of Colorado City

AIRPORT CATEGORY: Public GA SCHEDULE: FY 2008 – 2012

PROJECT #: E8F52

PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request PROJECT MANAGER: Matthew Smith

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Install Perimeter Fencing (approximately 2,000

linear feet; Install Apron Lighting; Install rotating beacon and tower (Phase II)

REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES:	FAA	\$311,386
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 Sponsor
 \$8,194

 State
 \$8,195

 Total Program
 \$327,775

AIRPORT NAME: H.A. Clark Memorial Field

SPONSOR: City of Williams AIRPORT CATEGORY: Public GA

AIRPORT CATEGORY: Public GA SCHEDULE: FY 2008 – 2012

SCHEDULE: F1 2000 - 201

PROJECT #: E8F60

PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request PROJECT MANAGER: Matthew Smith

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Rehabilitate Taxiway Alpha, Approximately

6,000' x 50', Phase 1

REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: \$1,307,592

 Sponsor
 \$34,411

 State
 \$34,412

 Total Program
 \$1,376,415

AIRPORT NAME: Laughlin/Bullhead International SPONSOR: Mohave County Airport Authority

AIRPORT CATEGORY: Commercial Service SCHEDULE: FY 2008 – 2012

PROJECT #: E8F61

PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request

PROJECT MANAGER: Kenneth Potts

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Update Airport Master Plan Study Including an

Environmental Evaluation/Environmental

Overview, phase II

REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: \$45,000

 Sponsor
 \$1,184

 State
 \$1,184

 Total Program
 \$47,368

AIRPORT NAME: Casa Grande Municipal SPONSOR: City of Casa Grande

AIRPORT CATEGORY: Public GA SCHEDULE: FY 2008 - 2012

PROJECT #: E8F66

PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request

PROJECT MANAGER: Tammy Martelle

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Install Perimeter Fencing- Ph. III REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: \$596,367

 Sponsor
 \$15,694

 State
 \$15,695

 Total Program
 \$627,756

AIRPORT NAME: Scottsdale

SPONSOR: City of Scottsdale

AIRPORT CATEGORY: Reliever

SCHEDULE: FY 2008 – 2012

PROJECT #: E7S20

PROGRAM AMOUNT: Project Change
PROJECT MANAGER: Kenneth Potts
PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Master Plan Update

REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: FAA \$0

 Sponsor
 \$28,030

 State
 \$252,270

 Total Program
 \$280,300

AIRPORT NAME: Phoenix Goodyear SPONSOR: City of Phoenix

AIRPORT CATEGORY: Reliever

SCHEDULE: FY 2008 - 2012

PROJECT #: E8S62

PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request PROJECT MANAGER: Matthew Smith

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Relocate and Install New AWOS REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: FAA \$0

 Sponsor
 \$10,000

 State
 \$90,000

 Total Program
 \$100,000

AIRPORT NAME: Buckeye Municipal SPONSOR: Town of Buckeye

AIRPORT CATEGORY: Public GA SCHEDULE: FY 2008 – 2012

PROJECT #: E8F55

PROGRAM AMOUNT: New Project Request PROJECT MANAGER: Matthew Smith Install AWOS

REQUESTED ACTION: Recommend STB approval.

FUNDING SOURCES: \$273,600

 Sponsor
 \$7,200

 State
 \$7,200

 Total Program
 \$288,000

**Board Action:** A motion to approve Items 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31,

32, 33, 34, 35 and 36 was made by Mr. Montoya, seconded by Mr. Feldmeier

and passed unanimously.

Minutes of the PPAC Meeting on October 3, 2007

Summary of Approved Changes to the FY 2008-2012 Highway

Construction Program

• Highway Program Monitoring Report

#### RIGHT OF WAY RESOLUTIONS

\* RES. NO: 2007-10-A-065

PROJECT: 070GH000H088801R HIGHWAY: GLOBE - SAFFORD SECTION: Geronimo - Solomonsville

ROUTE NO. U.S. Route 70 ENG. DIST. Safford COUNTY: Graham

RECOMMENDATION: Disposal by Abandonment to Graham County for a

continued public transportation use

\* RES. NO: 2007-10-A-066

PROJECT: S-077-A-800 / 077PM077H545901R
HIGHWAY: TUCSON-ORACLE JCT.-GLOBE
SECTION: Calle Concordia – Tangerine Rd.

ROUTE NO. State Route 77

ENG. DIST. Tucson COUNTY: Pima

RECOMMENDATION: Establish as a state highway for widening improvements

\* RES. NO: (Resolution Number intentionally not used)

2007-10-A-067

PROJECT: HIGHWAY: SECTION: ROUTE NO. ENG. DIST. COUNTY:

#### RECOMMENDATION:

\* RES. NO: 2007-10-A-068

PROJECT: 153-A-700 / 153MA000H544001R
HIGHWAY: SKY HARBOR EXPRESSWAY
SECTION: Superior Avenue – University Drive

ROUTE NO. State Route 153

ENG. DIST. Phoenix COUNTY: Maricopa

RECOMMENDATION: Rescission of the Sky Harbor Expressway Corridor State

Route Plan

\* RES. NO: 2007-10-A-069

PROJECT: 600-3-708 / 143MA000H084901R

600-3-801 / 143MA000H088801R

HIGHWAY: SKY HARBOR EXPRESSWAY SECTION: Washington St. – University Drive

ROUTE NO. State Route 153

ENG. DIST. Phoenix
COUNTY: Maricopa
DISPOSAL: D-M-400

RECOMMENDATION: Disposal by Abandonment to the City of Phoenix for a

continued public transportation use

\* RES. NO: (Resolution Number intentionally not used)

2007-10-A-070

PROJECT: HIGHWAY: SECTION: ROUTE NO. ENG. DIST. COUNTY: PARCEL:

RECOMMENDATION:

#### STATE ENGINEER'S REPORT

Sam Elters reported on construction and projects completed in September, 2007. There are currently 93 projects under construction valued at \$1 billion. There were eight projects finalized in the month of September valued at \$12.8 million. Year-to-date, 32 projects have been finalized.

#### CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

Interstate Federal-Aid ("A" "B") projects do not need FHWA concurrence, but must comply with DBE regulations; other projects are subject to FHWA and/or local government concurrence and compliance with DBE regulations)

BIDS OPENED: September 27

HIGHWAY: TUCSON-BENSON HIGHWAY (I-10)

SECTION: I-10 and 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Bridge

COUNTY: Pima ROUTE NO.: I-10

PROJECT: TEA-010-E(008)A 010 PM 261 H634801C

FUNDING: 94% Federal 6% State

LOW BIDDER: Cal Wadsworth Construction Southwest, Inc.

AMOUNT: \$ 800,374.49 STATE AMOUNT: \$ 492,400.00 \$ OVER: \$ 307,974.49 % OVER: 62.5% NO. BIDDERS: 2

RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

Non-Interstate Federal-Aid ("A" "B") projects do not need FHWA concurrence, but must comply with DBE regulations; other projects are subject to FHWA and/or local government concurrence and compliance with DBE regulations)

BIDS OPENED: September 27

HIGHWAY: WHY-TUCSON HIGHWAY (SR 86)

SECTION: SR 86 @ Camino Verde

COUNTY: Pima ROUTE NO.: SR 86

PROJECT: STP-086-A(010)A 086 PM 163 H672201C

FUNDING: 94% Federal 6% State

LOW BIDDER: Borderland Construction Co., Inc.

AMOUNT: \$ 869,561.40 STATE AMOUNT: \$ 1,154,463.00 \$ UNDER: \$ 284,901.60 % UNDER: 24.7% NO. BIDDERS: 8

RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

**Board Action:** A motion to approve Items 45 and 46 was made by Mr. Zubia, seconded by Mr.

Montoya and passed unanimously.

BIDS OPENED: August 30

HIGHWAY: PRESCOTT-ASH FORK HIGHWAY (SR 89)

SECTION: Intersection of SR 89 & SR 69

COUNTY: Yavapai ROUTE NO.: SR 89

PROJECT: AC-STP-029-1(201)B 089 YV 312 H395701C

FUNDING: 94% Federal 6% State LOW BIDDER: FNF Construction, Inc. AMOUNT: \$ 23,589,901.13 STATE AMOUNT: \$ 20,801,600.00

\$ OVER: \$ 2,788,301.13 % OVER: 13.4% NO BIDDERS: 2

RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

**Board Action:** A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Zubia,

seconded by Mr. Montoya and passed unanimously. Mr. Schorr and Mr.

Feldmeier recused themselves from this Item.

BIDS OPENED: September 14

HIGHWAY: RIM ROCK-SEDONA HIGHWAY (SR 179)
SECTION: North Forest Boundary to City of Sedona

COUNTY: Coconino ROUTE NO.: SR 179

PROJECT: STP-TEA-179-A(002)B 179 CN 310 H341403C FUNDING: 81% Federal 6% State 6% City of Sedona

1% APS 4% Arizona Water 2% Unisource Service

LOW BIDDER: Fisher Sand & Gravel Co., DBA

Southwest Asphalt Paving

AMOUNT: \$ 39,921,373.00 STATE AMOUNT: \$ 40,146,671.00 \$ UNDER: \$ 225,298.00 % UNDER: 0.6% NO. BIDDERS: 3

RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

BIDS OPENED: September 27

HIGHWAY: TOWN OF PARADISE VALLEY

SECTION: Lincoln Drive Sidewalk

COUNTY: Maricopa ROUTE NO.: N/A

PROJECT: CM-PVY-0(002)A 0000 MA PVY SS55301C FUNDING: 94% Federal 6% Town of Paradise Valley

LOW BIDDER: DBA Construction, Inc.
AMOUNT: \$ 1,573,736.70
STATE AMOUNT: \$ 1,843,384.00
\$ UNDER: \$ 269,647.30
% UNDER: 14.6%
NO. BIDDERS: 7

RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

BIDS OPENED: September 14 HIGHWAY: YUMA COUNTY

SECTION: Avenue 21E over Wellton Mohawk Main

Conveyance Channel

COUNTY: Yuma

ROUTE NO: N/A

PROJECT: BR-YYU-0(032)A 0000 YU YYU SB41401C

FUNDING: 94% Federal 6% Yuma County LOW BIDDER: Bison Contracting Co., Inc.

AMOUNT: \$ 697,510.85 STATE AMOUNT: \$ 427,500.00 \$ OVER: \$ 270,010.85 % OVER: 63.2% NO. BIDDERS: 2

RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

#### Non-Interstate Non-Federal Aid

BIDS OPENED: September 14

HIGHWAY: WHY-TUCSON HIGHWAY (SR 86)

SECTION: Town of Sells

COUNTY: Pima ROUTE NO.: SR 86

PROJECT: 086-A-NFA 086 PM 112 H649101C

FUNDING: 100% State

LOW BIDDER: Meridian Engineering Company

AMOUNT: \$ 11,417,499.00 STATE AMOUNT: \$ 10,678,000.00 \$ OVER: \$ 739,499.00 % OVER: 6.9% NO. BIDDERS: 2

RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

Board Action: A motion to approve Items 48, 49, 40 and 51 was made by Mr. Zubia, seconded

by Mr. Householder and passed unanimously. Mr. Schorr recused himself from

Items 48, 50 and 51.

BIDS OPENED: September 27

HIGHWAY: OUARTZSITE-PARKER-TOPOCK HIGHWAY

SECTION: Lake Havasu State Park

COUNTY: Mohave ROUTE NO.: SR 95

PROJECT: S-095-C-513 095 MO 182 H684301C

FUNDING: 100% State

LOW BIDDER: Combs Construction Company, Inc.

AMOUNT: \$ 969,501.50 STATE AMOUNT: \$ 1,164,817.00 \$ UNDER: \$ 195,315.50 % UNDER: 16.8% NO. BIDDERS: 4

RECOMMENDATION: AWARD

**Board Action:** 

A motion to approve the above recommendation was made by Mr. Householder, seconded by Mr. Zubia. Mr. Feldmeier expressed concern about spending \$1 million from HURF financing for the operation of state parks. Mr. Mendez clarified that these dollars are for construction not operations. The motion passed 4-1. Mr. Schorr recused himself from this Item.

## **Comments and Suggestions**

Board Members had the opportunity to suggest items they would like to have placed on future Board Meeting Agendas. There were no comments and suggestions.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Board Action:** A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Mr. Zubia, seconded by

Mr. Householder and passed unanimously.

## <u>ADJOURN</u>

**Board Action:** A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Schorr, seconded by Mr. Householder

and passed unanimously.

Joe Lane, Chairman

State Transportation Board

Victor Mendez, Director

Arizona Department of Transportation

<sup>\*</sup>Denotes items approved in the consent agenda.